

# Obituaries

## Maxine Leta Chambers

Maxine Leta Chambers, 88, a native of Oberlin, died Jan. 27, 2005, at Cedar Living Center in Oberlin. She was born June 1, 1916, in Oberlin, the daughter of Wesley Amer and Matie Marie (Myers) Caster. She spent part of her youth in Nebraska and Canada with her family. She married Darrell Dean Chambers on Jan. 30, 1933, in Norton. They lived in Nampa, Idaho, for four years while he worked in a lumberyard. In 1943, she and her husband moved back to Kansas where they farmed near Oberlin and Norcat for 25 years. In 1978, they retired from farming and moved to Oberlin. Her husband preceded her in death on May 27, 1997.

Survivors include three daughters, Joan Marie and Harold Gaul, Denver; Carolyn Lou and Gary Allen, Oberlin; and Sharon Barbara Temple, Sandpoint, Idaho; two sons, Darrell David and Patty Chambers, Culbertson, Neb.; and Daniel Darren and Donna Chambers, Holyoke, Colo.; 11 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; an infant son, Larry Kent Chambers; a brother, Gerald Amer Caster; two sisters, Lucille Garland Teets, and Geneva Eileen Richardson; and a grandson, Martin Wesley Allen.

Graveside services were held Monday morning at the Oberlin Cemetery with Jim Plotts officiating.

A memorial was established to Cedar Living Center or Decatur County Good Samaritan Center. Contributions may be sent to Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

## Betty Ellis

Floye (Betty) Elizabeth Ellis, 82, a longtime Oberlin resident, died Jan. 26, 2005, at Garden Valley Retirement Village in Garden City.

She was born June 11, 1922, in Norton, the daughter of Fred and Flora Strohwig of Selden. She graduated from Selden High School in 1939. She attended college at Fort Hays State University and Kansas University, acquiring her Kansas teaching credentials. She was a school teacher in Selden for two years. After the outbreak of World War II, she moved to Wichita and became a draftsman for Boeing Company.

She married Harry Frank Ellis of Oberlin in 1946 and together they operated the Bar-D-Bar Restaurant on Highway 36 and later the Jayhawk Cafe in downtown Oberlin. She was school secretary at Oberlin Elementary School and later medical records secretary for the Decatur County Hospital.

She retired in 1990 and moved to Garden City, where she enjoyed her grandchildren. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Garden City; Order of Eastern Star; Monday

Evening Club; American Legion Auxiliary; Silver-Haired Legislature and genealogy clubs in Garden City and Oberlin.

Survivors include a son, Chuck and Becky Ellis and Cody, Scott City; and a daughter, Nancy and Chad Woods, Eli and Trace, Garden City.

She was preceded in death by her parents; an infant daughter, Ruth Ann; her husband, and a brother, Frank Strohwig.

Funeral services were held Saturday morning at the United Church in Oberlin. The Rev. Dave Sweley officiated and burial was at the Oberlin Cemetery. Memorial services were held Monday evening at the Presbyterian Church in Garden City with the Rev. Dave Sweley officiating.

A memorial was established to the Oberlin Library. Contributions may be sent to Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

## James Dean Godfrey

James Dean Godfrey, 77, formerly of Selden, died Jan. 26, 2005, at Colmery-O'Neil Veterans Administration Medical Center in Topeka.

He was born March 6, 1927, at rural Selden, the son of James S. and Goldie (Johnson) Godfrey. He was reared in Selden and attended Sheridan County School. He joined the Navy during World War II and served until his discharge in August 1946.

He married Luella Gaines on Oct. 1, 1950. He farmed in rural Selden until moving to Topeka in the late 1980s. He was a member of the United Methodist church.

Survivors include a son, Marvin and Charlotte Godfrey, Whitewater; a daughter, Lola and George Wessel, Selden; a sister, Jeanne Henson, Bella Vista, Ark.; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; an infant child; and a great-grandson, Tristan Wessel.

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning at Pauls Funeral Home in Selden. The Rev. Doug Hasty officiated and burial was in the Selden Cemetery.

A memorial was established in his name. Contributions may be left at Pauls Funeral Home in Selden or Oberlin.

## A.Q. (Quintin) Johnson

A.Q. (Quintin) Johnson, 77, a native of Decatur County, died Jan.

24, 2005, at Bigfork, Minn.

He was born Jan. 4, 1928, at Oberlin, the son of Simon and Waneta Johnson, and grandson of A.B. and Bertina Johnson, Decatur County pioneers.

He attended Decatur Community High School and served in the United States Air Force. He attended Indiana Tech University and was employed as an engineer and manager at AT&T until his retirement.

He married Jean Frantise in Lombard, Ill., in May, 1952 and she survives.

Other survivors are two daughters, Ann and Marv Stephanson, and Chris and John Torbic; three sons, Bill and Lorraine; Eric and Mel; and Aaron and Traci; 23 grandchildren; and one brother, Martin and Melba.

He was preceded in death by his parents and grandparents; two brothers, Dale and Henry; two sisters, Florence and Bertina Sweet; two sisters-in-law, Helen and Earlene, and one brother-in-law, Richard Sweet.

Memorial services were held at the Carroll Funeral Home in Bigfork on Wednesday. Burial followed at Bigfork Cemetery.

## Margaret Mae Mapes

Margaret Mae Mapes, 90, a native of Oberlin, died Dec. 8, 2004, in Portland, Ore., from ovarian cancer.

She was born Nov. 1, 1914, on a farm south of Oberlin, the daughter of Edison and Cora Bishop.

She married Floyd Mapes on April 1, 1939. During World War II, she worked in the shipyards in California and in a glass factory in Oregon. After the war they lived in Garden City until 1959, when they moved to Colorado Springs, Colo. They moved to Portland, Ore., in 2000 to be near their children and their families.

Survivors include a son, Ron and Bobbi Mapes, Portland; a daughter, Connie and Bill Ellis, Seattle, Wash.; four grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; and a sister, Anna Kerley, Longview, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; a son; two brothers, Clyde and Merle Bishop; and a sister, Gertrude Jenkins.

A graveside memorial was held on Dec. 20 at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland.



# From the Record

## Courthouse

These transactions were taken from the records in the offices of the Decatur County court clerk, sheriff and register of deeds:

### DISTRICT COURT

#### Traffic

August 16, 2004: Chester Bullard, Houston, speeding 89, \$186.

Nov. 19, 2004: William Douridas, Westerville, Ohio, speeding 81, \$126.

Jan. 11: Jack Kee, St. Paul, Minn., speeding 77, \$102.

Jan. 20: Reginald Stephens, Rapid City, S.D., speeding 82, \$132.

#### JAIL BOOKINGS

These persons were booked into the Decatur County Jail last week: Jason Stoney, 22, McCook, Jan. 26, probation violation, Red Willow County.

Lisa Gonzalez, 36, McCook, Jan. 27, third degree assault, Red Willow County.

Tina Morgan, 31, McCook, Jan. 29, third degree assault, Red Willow County.

#### REGISTER OF DEEDS

Doyle and Kay Brown, trustee Doyle B. Brown and Kay A. Brown Revocable Trust, to Janiece and William Dowell, as joint tenants, the NE 1/4 of Sec. 5 and the N 1/2 of Sec. 4, T4S, R27W.

Michael and Victoria Bailey to Brok Rule, Lot 12, Block 2, Sappa Addition, City of Oberlin.

#### AMBULANCE CALLS

These calls were reported last week by the Decatur County ambulance crew:

Jan. 24: 10:31 a.m., Flight for Life from Decatur County Hospital to Good Samaritan Hospital, Kearney, Neb.; 11:35 a.m., medical, W. Ash,

no transport; 3:21 p.m., Flight for Life from Decatur County Hospital to Good Samaritan Hospital, Kearney.

Last Wednesday: 9:55 a.m., transport from Decatur County Hospital to Good Samaritan Hospital, Kearney.

Friday: 5:30 a.m., trauma, W. Ash, transported to Decatur County Hospital.

Sunday: 11:56 a.m., trauma, N. East, transported to Decatur County Hospital.

## City Hall

### MUNICIPAL COURT

Thursday: Elmer Zdrov, Oberlin, inattentive driving, \$110; Donald Wayman, Prairie View, reinstatement fee, \$50; David Barth, Oberlin, duty upon striking unattended vehicle, \$335.

## Town Crier

**Today:** Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., ambulance barn.

**Thursday:** Cover Your Acres Winter Ag Conference, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Gateway.

Food Pantry, 9 a.m. to noon, United Church, 109 N. Griffith.

Junior high girls basketball, 4:30 p.m., here with Quinter.

Junior Varsity basketball tournament, 5 p.m., at Colby.

Junior High wrestling, 6 p.m., here, with Quinter.

**Friday:** High school basketball, 6:30 p.m., at Colby.

High school wrestling, 6:30 p.m., here with Colby.

**Saturday:** Oberlin Kids Wrestling tournament has been canceled. Junior Varsity wrestling tournament, 9 a.m., at Goodland.

High school wrestling tournament, 10 a.m., at Republican Valley.

High school speech, all day, at Hill City.

Regional Piano Festival, all day, here, high school.

Seeds of Hope Telethon, 1-10 p.m., The Gateway.

**Monday:** Food Pantry, 9 a.m. to noon, United Church, 109 N. Griffith.

Decatur County Soil Conservation District annual banquet, 6:30 p.m., Gateway.

**Tuesday:** Weight Watchers, 5-6 p.m., Medical Arts Building.

Storytime, 4 to 4:30 p.m., Oberlin

City Library.

High school basketball, 6:30 p.m., here with Norton.

**Feb. 7-11:** Kindergarten registration, Oberlin Elementary School office.

**Feb. 10-11:** No school for preschool and kindergarten, Parent-Teacher Conferences.

**Feb. 11:** No school for junior or senior high, Parent-Teacher Conferences.

**Monday-Friday:** 1 p.m. at Golden Age Center. Monday, pinochle; Tuesday, pitch; Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, pinochle. Last Thursday of month, senior bridge, open. Quilting, puzzles, games daily.

A representative of the Northwest Local Environmental Protection Group will be at the Health Department once a month for free well evaluation, including testing water for bacteria and nitrates. For details call (785) 475-8118.

## Markets

### January 31, 2005 closing markets

Wheat, \$3.00 bushel  
Milo, \$2.75 hnd weight  
Corn, \$1.77 bushel  
Soybeans, \$4.57 bushel  
Sunflowers, \$11.00 bushel

## Corrections

The Oberlin Herald will correct or clarify any mistake or misunderstanding in a news story. Please call our office at 475-2206 to report errors. We believe that news stories should be fair and factual, and appreciate your calling to our attention any failure to live up to this standard.

## Sunflower Cinema

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Sat., Feb. 5  
7 p.m.

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## WEATHER

### Decatur County Weather for February 1<sup>st</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup>

| Tue   | Wed   | Thu   | Fri   | Sat   | Sun   | Mon   |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 48/25 | 53/26 | 55/27 | 58/28 | 55/30 | 38/20 | 35/18 |

Normal High 41  
Normal Low 17  
Sunset 7:44 to 7:50am  
Sunset 6:02 to 6:09pm

With plenty of sun this week, the local groundhog will likely see his shadow and crawl back into his hole to hibernate through six more weeks of winter. Highs will be 10-15 degrees above normal through Saturday and with the Jet track well to our north the area will remain storm free. A cold front Sunday will be our next chance for precipitation and colder weather. Will this front be the kicker needed for a colder and more active weather pattern for mid February? It's too early to tell but you can get an updated forecast on our web page or by listening to KXXX/G100 radio!

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### (National Weather Service)

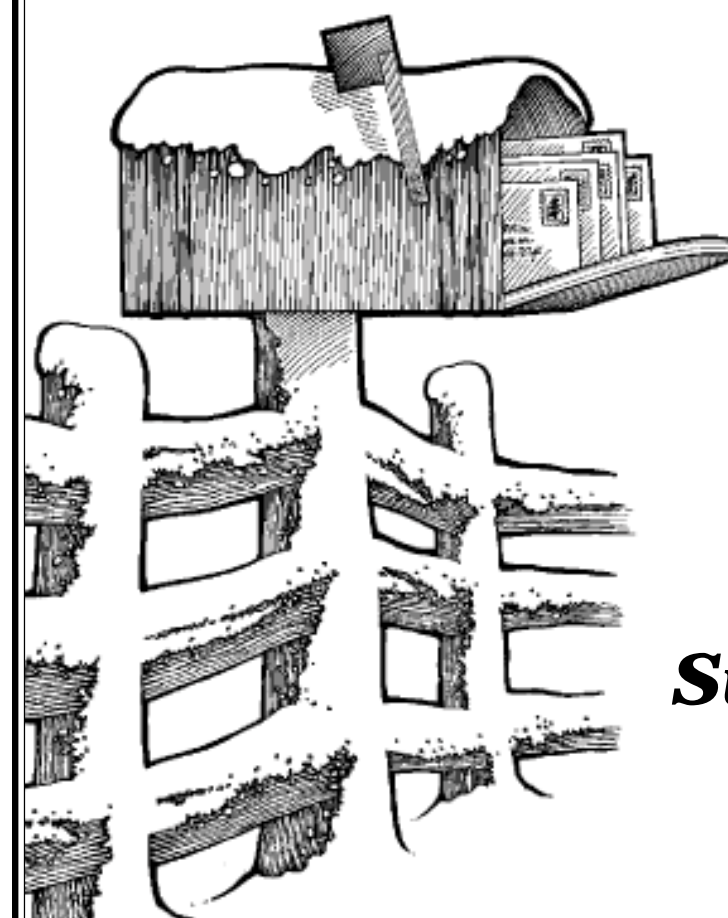
(Information below is for period ending 7 a.m. Mon. Maximum temperature is for previous day.)

| Date    | Hi | Low | Precip.       |
|---------|----|-----|---------------|
| Jan. 25 | 71 | 29  |               |
| Jan. 26 | 64 | 23  |               |
| Jan. 27 | 49 | 22  |               |
| Jan. 28 | 30 | 27  | 0.05 (0.3"/s) |
| Jan. 29 | 34 | 22  |               |
| Jan. 30 | 40 | 20  | 0.01          |
| Jan. 31 | 36 | 31  |               |

(s = snow)  
Precipitation totals: for the week, 0.06; for the month, 0.52; for the current year to date, 0.52; previous year to date, 0.35.

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